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Message: Please find the enclosed formal amendment of (5) pages as a formal response to the office action dated February 12, 2004.

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004,
please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel without prejudice claims 1 - 12, 14 and
17 - 19.

Please amend claims 13 and 16.

Claims 1 - 12 (canceled)

13. (amended) A method of combining a removable winch with a
boat landing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

providing a boat landing apparatus capable of landing a
water craft;

providing a winch that is capable of reeling in a water
craft; and